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O. FOREWORD

- **0.1** This Indian Standard was adopted by the Indian Standards Institution on 11 June 1973, after the draft finalized by the Acoustics Sectional Committee had been approved by the Electrotechnical Division Council.
- **0.2** Calibration tapes are required for making adjustments and comparative assessments of the reproducing performance of both professional and domestic magnetic tape recording and reproducing equipment.
- 0.3 This standard specifies the electromagnetic properties of calibration tapes.
- **0.4** This standard applies to both lubricated and nonlubricated tapes recorded across the full width of the tape, but in certain usages it may be necessary to erase a part of the recording across the width of the tape before it can be used with some types of tape equipment.
- **0.5** While preparing this standard, assistance has been derived from IEC Doc: 60A (Secretariat) 41 'Standard format for calibration tapes', issued by the International Electrotechnical Commission.
- **0.6** For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS: 2-1960*. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

1. SCOPE

1.1 This standard specifies the minimum requirements for 6.25-mm calibration tapes for making adjustments and comparative assessments of the reproducing performance of both professional and domestic magnetic tape recording and reproducing equipment.

^{*}Rules for rounding off numerical values (revised).

2. TERMINOLOGY

2.1 For the purpose of this standard, the terms and definitions given in IS: 1885 (Part III/Sec 3)-1967* shall apply.

3. OBJECT

3.1 The object of this standard is to specify the requirements and the tolerances to which the calibration tapes shall be made so that measurements made on any recording and reproducing equipment using the tapes manufactured in accordance with the requirements of this standard shall be directly comparable.

4. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- **4.1** The calibration tape is a specified tape having selected magnetic properties. The tape shall have an intrinsic coercivity of at least 250 oersteds and a remanence of 6 flux lines at the standard level of recording.
- **4.2** Each calibration tape shall have at least the following sections recorded across the full width of the tape in the order shown:
 - a) Level,
 - b) Azimuth,
 - c) Frequency response, and
 - d) Unrecorded blank section of at least 5 minutes at the corresponding speed.

Each section shall be announced.

- **4.2.1** At the beginning of the tape, the nominal tape speed to which the calibration refers, the characteristics to which the tape has been recorded and the month and year of production shall be announced. This announcement shall precede the Azimuth section.
- 4.2.2 The content and the level to which each section is recorded shall be announced at the beginning of that section. Announcements shall be recorded at a peak level lower than that of the recorded signals in that section.

5. TAPES FOR USE AT SPEEDS OF 38·1 cm/s AND 19·05 cm/s

- 5.1 Reference Level Section The reference level section shall consist of a frequency band of 1 000 ±30 Hz recorded to a level of 320 nWb/m and having a distortion of less than or equal to 1.0 percent. The duration of the frequency band shall be 30 seconds.
- 5.2 Azimuth Section Frequency bands of 1000 Hz and 10 kHz are recorded. The nominal level of the 1000 Hz tone shall be 100 nWb/m.

^{*}Electrotechnical vocabulary: Part III Acoustics, Section 3 Sound recording and reproduction.

The angle of recording shall be $90^{\circ}\pm2'$ relative to the edge of the tape. The duration of the frequency bands shall be 10 seconds and 60 seconds respectively.

5.3 Frequency Response Section - The following frequency bands shall be recorded in the order shown:

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1 000 -- (18 000) -- 16 000 -- 14 000 -- 12 500 -- 10 000 -- 8 000 -- 6 300 -- 4 000 -- 2 000 -- 1 000 -- 500 -- 250 -- 125 -- 80 -- 63 -- 40 -- (31 \cdot 5) -- 1 000 Hz.
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Note - The frequencies within parenthesis are optional. Each frequency shall be announced.

The middle 1 000 Hz, recorded at a nominal level of 32 nWb/m, shall be the reference frequency. Each band shall have a duration of 10 seconds, except for those bands containing frequencies above 10 000 Hz which shall have a duration of 20 seconds. The maximum deviation in frequency from the frequencies shown shall be +3.0 percent.

The deviation of the recorded levels, relative to the flux response curve as given in Fig. 3 of IS: 4479-1967*, shall not exceed ± 0.5 dB for frequencies up to and including 10 kHz, nor ± 1.0 dB for frequencies above 10 kHz. The level fluctuations up to and including 10 kHz shall not exceed 0.5 dB and shall not exceed 1.0 dB above 10 kHz. The short term fluctuations at frequencies above 14 kHz shall not exceed ± 0.25 dB.

5.4 For summary of characteristics of calibration tape for use at a speed of 38·1 cm/s and 19·05 cm/s, reference be made to Table 1.

6. TAPES FOR USE AT A SPEED OF 9.53 cm/s

- **6.1 Reference Level Section** The reference level shall consist of a frequency band of 315 ± 10 Hz recorded to a level of 250 nWb/m and having a distortion of less than or equal to 1 percent. The duration of the frequency band shall be 30 seconds.
- **6.2 Azimuth Section** Frequency bands of 315 Hz and 10 kHz are recorded. The nominal level of the 315 Hz tone shall be 50 nWb/m. The angle of recording shall be 90°±2′ relative to the edge of the tape. The duration of the frequency bands shall be 10 seconds and 60 seconds respectively.
- **6.3 Frequency Response Section** The following frequency bands shall be recorded in the order shown:

Note — The frequencies within parenthesis are optional. Each frequency shall be announced.

The middle 315 Hz, recorded at a nominal level of 25 nWb/m shall be the

^{*}Methods of measurements on magnetic tapes for sound recording and reproduction.

reference frequency. Bands for frequencies of above 315 Hz shall have a duration of 20 seconds and those for 315 Hz and below shall have a duration of 10 seconds. The maximum deviation in frequency from the frequencies shown shall be ± 3 percent.

The deviation of the recorded levels, relative to the flux response curve as given in Fig. 3 of IS: 4479-1967*, shall not exceed ± 0.5 dB for frequencies up to and including 8 kHz nor ± 1 dB for frequencies above 8 kHz. The level fluctuations up to and including 8 kHz shall not exceed 0.5 dB and shall not exceed 1 dB above 8 kHz. The short term fluctuations at frequencies above 10 kHz shall not exceed ± 0.5 dB.

6.4 For summary of characteristics of calibration tape for use at a speed of 9.53 cm/s, reference be made to Table 1.

7. TAPES FOR USE AT A SPEED OF 4.76 cm/s

- 7.1 Reference Level Section A frequency band of 315±10 Hz recorded to a level of 250 nWb/m and having a distortion of less than or equal to 3 percent. The duration of the frequency band shall be 30 seconds.
- 7.2 Azimuth Section Frequency bands of 315 Hz and 10 kHz are recorded. The nominal level of the 315 Hz tone shall be 25 nWb/m. The angle of recording shall be 90°±2′ relative to the edge of the tape. The duration of the frequency bands shall be 10 seconds and 60 seconds respectively.
- **7.3 Frequency Response Section** The following frequency bands shall be recorded in the order shown:

Each frequency shall be announced.

The middle 315 Hz, recorded at a nominal level of 25 nWb/m shall be the reference frequency. Bands for frequencies of above 315 Hz shall have a duration of 20 seconds and those for 315 Hz and below shall have a duration of 10 seconds. The maximum deviation in frequency from the frequencies shown shall be ±3 percent.

The deviation of the recorded levels, relative to the flux response curve as given in Fig. 3 of IS: 4479-1967*, shall not exceed 0.5 dB for frequencies up to and including 6.3 kHz nor 1 dB for frequencies above 6.3 kHz. The level fluctuations up to and including 6.3 kHz shall not exceed 0.5 dB and shall not exceed 1 dB above 6.3 kHz. The short term fluctuations at 10 kHz shall not exceed 0.5 dB.

7.4 For summary of characteristics of calibration tape for use at a speed of 4.76 cm/s, reference be made to Table 1.

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TABLE 1 CHARACTERISTICS OF CALIBRATION TAPES

(Clauses 5.4, 6.4 and 7.4)

Sr	CHARACTERISTIC		TAPES FOR USE AT A SPEED OF	AT A SPEED OF	
ġ		38·1 cm/s	19·05 cm/s	9.53 cm/s	4.76 cm/s
Ξ	(2)	(3)	ŧ	(5)	(9)
i) R	i) Reference Level Section:				
æ	a) Frequency band recorded	$1000{\pm}30\mathrm{Hz}$	$1~000\pm30~\mathrm{Hz}$	$315\pm10~\mathrm{Hz}$	$315\pm10~\mathrm{Hz}$
A	b) Level of recording, nominal	320 nWb/m	320 nWb/m	250 nWb/m	250 nWb/m
ં	c) Distortion, permissible	%1∙0%	<1.0 %	≪ 1·0%	≪3.0 %
ð	d) Duration of frequency band	30s	30s	30s	30s
ii) 🗸	ii) Azimuth Section:				
<u>a</u>	a) Frequency band recorded	1 kH z and 10 kHz	1 kHz and 10 kHz 1 kHz and 10 kHz 3	315 Hz and 10 kHz 315 Hz and 10 kHz	15 Hz and 10 kHz
`م	b) Reference frequency	1 000 Hz	$1~000~\mathrm{Hz}$	315 Hz	315 Hz
ઉ	c) Level of recording of reference frequency, nominal	100 nWb/m	100 nWb/m	50 nWb/m	25 nWb/m
'	d) Angle of recording relative to the edge of the tape	90′±2′	90°±2′	$90^{\circ}\pm2^{\circ}$	90`±2′
΄υ΄	c) Duration of frequency bands	10 s at 1 kHz & 60 s at 10 kHz	10s at 1 kHz & 60s at 10 kHz	10s at 315 kHz & 60s at 10 Hz	10s at 315 Hz & 60s at 10 kHz
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	TABLE 1 CHA	CHARACTERISTICS OF CALIBRATION TAPES—Contd	F CALIBRATION	TAPES — Contd	
S. S.	Characteristic		TAPES FOR USE	TAPES FOR USE AT A SPEED OF	
į		38·1 cm/s	19·05 cm/s	9.53 cm/s	4·76 cm/s
Ξ	(2)	(3,	(4)	(5)	(9)
iii) Fre	iii) Frequency Response Section:				
a) 1	a) Frequency bands, recorded in the order specified (see Notes 1 & 2)	1 000-(18 000)- 16 000-14 000- 12 500-10 000- 8 000-6 300-4 000- 2 000-1 000-500- 250-125-80-63-40- (31-5)-1 000 Hz	1 000-(18 000)- 16 000-14 000- 12 500-10 000- 8 000-6 300-4 000- 2 000-1 000-500- 250-125-80-63-40- (31:5)-1 000 Hz	315-(14 000)- 12 500-10 000- 8 000-6 300-4 000- 2 000-1 000-500- 315-250-125-80-63- 40-(31·5)-315 Hz	315-10 000-8 000- 6 300-4 000-2 000- 1 000-500-315-250- 125-80-63-40-315Hz
P) I	b) Reference frequency	Middle 1 000 Hz	Middle 1 000 Hz	Middle 315 Hz	Middle 315 Hz
c) I	c) Level of recording of reference fre- quency, nominal	32 nWb'm	32 nWb, m	25 nWb/m	25 nWb/m
d) 1	d) Duration of frequency band	For frequencies up to and including 10 kHz: 10s	For frequencies up to and including 10 kHz : 10s	For frequencies up to and including 315 Hz : 10s	For frequencies up to and including 315 Hz : 10s
		For frequencies above 10 kHz : 20s	For frequencies above 10 kHz : 20s	For frequencies above 315 Hz : 20s	For frequencies above 315 Hz:20s
~ •	e) Deviation in frequency from the frequencies specified, Max	±3.0%	=-3·0%	±3.0°,°	± 3.0 °,

For frequencies up For frequencies up to and including to and including 8 kHz: 6.3 kHz : 6.3 kHz : 6.5 dB	For frequencies For frequencies above 8 kHz: above 6.3 kHz: $\leqslant_{\pm 1.0}$ dB $\leqslant_{\pm 1.0}$ dB	For frequencies up For frequencies up to and including to and including 8 kHz: 6.3 kHz: <\pre><\pre><\pre><\pre><\pre>6.3 kHz:	For frequencies above 6'3 kHz: above 6'3 kHz: $\Leftrightarrow \pm 1.0 \text{ dB}$ $\Leftrightarrow \pm 1.0 \text{ dB}$	At frequencies At frequencies above 10 kHz:
For frequencies up For frequencies up I to and including to and including 10 kHz : 10 kHz : $6\pm0.5 \text{ dB}$	For frequencies above 10 kHz: \$\preceq 1.0 dB		For frequencies above 10 kHz: egreent < egreent	At frequencies above 14 kHz:
For frequencies up to and including $10 \text{ kHz}: \leqslant_{\pm 0.5 \text{ dB}}$	For frequencies above 10 kHz: \$\preceq 1.0 dB	For frequencies up For frequencies up to and including to and including 10 kHz: \$\leq \pm\ 0.5 \text{ dB}\$ \$\leq \pm\ 0.5 \text{ dB}\$	For frequencies above 10 kHz: $\leqslant \pm 1.0$ dB	At frequencies above 14 kHz:
f) Deviation of recorded levels relating to the flux response curve as given in Fig. 3 of IS: 4479-1967*		g) Level fluctuations		h) Short term fluctuations

Note I - Each frequency shall be announced.

Nore 2 — The frequencies in parenthesis are optional.

^{*}Method of measurements on magnetic tapes for sound recording and reproduction.

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